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10. (Unclassified - JCO) H.R. 2989, Missing Persons Act
Amendment, was reported favorably to the full committee after hearing
on Tuesday, 28 May.

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9. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Advised Mr. Russell Fee, Staff Consultant, Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee, that [REDACTED] would be the Agency witness at today's hearings on disarmament. Mr. Fee thanked us for the advice and indicated [REDACTED] would be very welcomed.

10. (Unclassified - JGO) Received from the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee 200 copies of the preliminary report of the Subcommittee investigation relating to Cuba.

11. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Transmitted to Air Force 1 and 2 the legislative package for use in hearings to be scheduled on the 1961 amendments to the Missing Persons Act. See Journal of 30 April and 2 May.

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7. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Received a call from Lt. Col. Jack Reiter, Legislation Branch, Air Force L and L, who related that he had been advised this afternoon by Mr. John Blandford, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee that H.R. 2989, the Missing Persons Act Amendment bill, which was proposed by the Air Force through Department of Defense at the Agency's request, is now ready to move within the Committee. Col. Reiter requests Agency assistance in providing the necessary background explanation and justification for the requested changes; a Ramseyer of the bill; a proposed witness statement; and designation of an Agency witness if one will be available for appearance at the hearing on the bill. Thanked the Colonel for the information and advised him I would be back in touch with him in the morning.

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1. (Internal Use Only - ISW) Talked with Henry Woodward who has been in touch with the AIE people and there is no pressure on the matter with Passman. Therefore, they will forward a draft proposal to us for coordination early next week.

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3. (Confidential - JGO) Advised Col. Jack Belter, Air Force 1 and 1 that the Agency does not desire to provide a witness for possible hearings on the Missing Persons Act, but that if desired we would provide a classified memorandum for Mr. Mlandford's use with the Chairman. We will also provide a draft of the justification and explanation for the bill together with a Ramseyer and briefing notes for use by whoever appears for DOD on this bill. (See Journal of 30 April)

4. (Unclassified - JGO) Received a request from Miss Petochnay, Assistant to Congressman John Lesinski (D., Mich.), concerning information requested by constituent letters. Outlined for Miss Petochnay the fact of Agency appearances on the Hill at frequent intervals before the Armed Services and Appropriations Committees and forwarded to her copies of employment brochures and the unclassified Agency information outline prepared by Col. Grogan's office.

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7. (Secret - JSW) Talked with Senator Russell, Representative Vinson and Representative Wiken about a certain matter at the Director's request. See Memorandum for the Record.

8. (Unclassified - GIC) Mr. Fatimi, in the office of Senator Frank Church, called and asked that he be placed on the mailing list

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9. (Unclassified - GIC) Spencer Sertisford, formerly on the staff of the House Space Committee, called and asked that he be removed from the mailing list as of 1 July. He explained that he just did not have the time to continue to review the reports as he had in the past although he thought they were of tremendous value.

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10. (Unclassified - GIC) Helen Higgins, on the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called and asked if we could provide them with a geological map of the Soviet Union. The Map Library has been asked to provide such a map.

11. (Internal Use Only - JGO) In response to yesterday's query, I advised Col. Jack Kelter, Air Force 2 and 1, that the Agency does not desire to provide a witness nor to have a back-up man in the hearing room on Tuesday, 25 May, for the hearings on H.R. 2989, Missing Persons Act Amendments. A classified letter will be forwarded to the Committee during the day or on Monday setting forth Agency support for the proposed legislation and urging enactment by the Congress.

12. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. A. Morrison, office of Air Force JAG, and reviewed with him certain of the Air Force papers provided for background use by Col. Joseph Scanlon, Directorate of Personnel, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force, in his appearance as DOD witness on H.R. 2989 before House Armed Services Committee on Tuesday, 25 May.

13. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Contacted Col. Clyde M. Dillender, Jr., office of Secretary of Defense for inclusion on the DOD list of observers to sit in on Congressman John F. Moss (D., Calif.) Foreign Operations and Government Information Subcommittee hearings on Soviet satellites Monday morning.

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3. (Secret - JSW) Talked with Walter Bosterman to make final arrangements for the appearance of [REDACTED] the Immigration Subcommittee at 10:30 on Tuesday, 27 May. Bosterman stated this should be a short meeting and hopefully the matter could be reported favorably to the full Committee on 4 June.

4. (Internal Use Only - JSW) Talked with Ken Sprankle about the possibility of CIA Budget hearings. He indicated final action on the Defense bill by about 27 June and probably we would be getting a call some time before then. I also inquired if Mr. Cannon had taken any action on filling Mr. Taber's vacancy on the CIA Subcommittee of House Appropriations. Sprankle advised that there had been no final action and that Mr. Cannon wished to avoid appointment of Mr. Jensen and had indicated possibly the appointment of Mr. Osterlag.

5. (Internal Use Only - JSW) Talked with Robert Smart in connection with the hearing next week on the Missing Persons legislation, with specific reference to the Air Force request that the Agency supply a witness to assist the Air Force witness. I explained that we did not wish to do this although we had initiated this legislation with Air Force now carrying the ball. Smart appeared to agree and suggested that we discuss this with Russ Hlandford and, if necessary, Mr. Rivers who is chairing this Subcommittee.

6. (Unclassified - GIC) Met with Scott Peck, Administrative Assistant to Senator George A. Smathers, at his request. He gave me a copy of a letter from [REDACTED] to the Agency submitting application forms. Peck mentioned that in his conversation with [REDACTED] had mentioned the fact that he had gotten into some "minor difficulty" while travelling with a college basketball team some years ago. He did not know whether this would effect the Agency consideration of his application. Peck said he advised [REDACTED] to include everything in the application materials and to hold nothing back. Peck is most interested in our letting [REDACTED] know as soon as we have made a determination as to our possible interest in him.

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1. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Lt. Col. Jack Retter, Air Force L&L, called and reaffirmed the original request of the Department of Defense that the Agency furnish a witness on H. R. 2989, Missing Persons Act, or provide a back-up man to assist Col. Joseph Scanlan, of the Air Force Directorate of Personnel, who will be the DOD witness. I told Col. Retter I would check the matter and be back in touch as soon as possible.

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4. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Discussed briefly with Mr. John Blandford, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and Colonel Jack Reiter, Air Force L and L, the supplying of background materials by this Agency with regard to H. R. 2989, Missing Persons Act Amendment. Mr. Blandford advised that as the full committee would be tied up for next week or more the materials would not be needed for that period of time. Advised, however, that we would get them to Air Force the first of the week.

5. (Confidential - JGO) Advised by Mr. Bland, IDCC, that Mr. Tarasov, the Soviet seaman who defected in India, will be arriving in this country Monday at 5:00 p.m.

6. (Secret - JGO) Contacted Mr. Birdsall of Ward and Paul to confirm the Agency order for a copy of the hearings of the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee. Mr. Birdsall advised that we could pick up the current transcript at 9:00 in the morning.

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